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# WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Casey, William **Report No:** WIR-027982 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 15-Jul-2012

City: Oakland, CA 94607

**OSM Arrival Time:** 700 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Departure Time:** 1530 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV

Contractor: American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV **Location:** Job Site

**CWI Name: CWI Present:** Yes No As noted below **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A Yes N/A **Electrode to specification:** No **Weld Procedures Followed:** Yes No N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No N/A **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes No N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS: Delayed / Cancelled:** Yes No N/A

34-0006 **Bridge No: Component: SAS OBG** 

## **Summary of Items Observed:**

Quality Assurance Inspector (QA) Douglas Frey was at the American Bridge/Fluor (ABF) job site at Yerba Buena Island in California between the times noted above in order to monitor Quality Control functions and the in process work being performed by ABF personnel. The following items were observed:

### 12E-PP111.1-C (Interior)

This QA Inspector randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Mike Jimenez #4671 performing the SMAW process in the 1G flat position on 12E-E2.1-C from y+21,500mm to y+22,500mm on the interior of the OBG. The work at this location was initiated on 7/4/2012. QC Inspector Salvador Merino was observed measuring the preheat temperature and setting the parameters to ensure compliance with the welding procedure specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D1.5-1040C-CU. The welder was observed using a small disc grinder to blend the start/stop edges of the work to provide a smooth transition. The welder was observed utilizing 3.2mm E7018-H4R electrodes drawing amperage of 136. The electrodes were obtained from a baking oven verified by this QA Inspector. On a subsequent observation this QA Inspector monitored the work for quality and noted that it was in progress and appeared to be in general conformance with the contract documents.

This QA Inspector randomly observed ABF/JV qualified welder Richard Garcia #5892 using the Flux Core Arc Welding (FCAW) process in the 2G horizontal position on 12E-E2.1-C from 11,500mm to 10,500mm on the interior of the OBG. Work at this location was initiated on 7/5/2012. This QA Inspector observed QC Inspector Salvador Merino verify prior to the start of welding operations, that the minimum preheat temperature as per the approved WPS was established; and afterwords verified that the welding parameters (Amps, Volts and Travel

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Speed) were in accordance with ABF-WPS-D1.5-1-3040A-1. The welder was observed grinding and blending the start/stop edges of the work utilizing a small disc grinder and compressed air in between passes as QC measured the inter-pass temperatures with an infra-red temperature gun. This QA Inspector made subsequent observations throughout the shift to monitor quality and noted that the work at this location was in progress and appeared to be in general conformance with the contract documents.

12E PP111.1-B (Interior)

This QA Inspector made random observations of ABF welder Roby Smith #4245 performing Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) in the 3G vertical position on 12E-PP111.1-B on the interior of the OBG. The welder was observed pre-heating the Complete Penetration Joint (CJP) joint with the ProHeat 35 thermal blankets and QC Inspector Salvador Merino verified the minimum temperature requirements as pertaining to ABF-WPS-D1. 5-1040C-CU. E9018-H4R electrodes were observed in use and were drawing amperage of 132. It was noted that between passes the welder ground the stop/start edges of the work for a smooth transition as OC was present to measure inter-pass temperatures. This QA Inspector randomly observed the welder throughout the shift and on a subsequent observation; the work progressed without incident and was in progress. The work at this location was found to be satisfactory and appeared to be in general compliance with the contract specifications.

**QA NDT** 

This QA Inspector performed an Ultrasonic (UT) inspection on approximately 10% of the welds listed below. These welds were previously accepted by QC Ultrasonic technicians in accordance with AWS D1.5-2002, section 6, table 6.3. This QA observed no indications at the time of testing. This QA generated a TL-6027 UT report on this date. The completed work observed at this location appeared to be in compliance with the contract specifications.

13E PP123.5-E2.1-BW1 13E PP123.5-E2.1-BF1 13E PP124-E2.2-BW1

#### **Summary of Conversations:**

Discussed welder assignments and locations with Quality Control Inspector Slavador Merino.

#### Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Nina Choy 510-385-5910, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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